

Meeting Minutes - Approved

Art and Architectural Review Board

Agenda

February 5, 2021

Virtual Meeting via ZOOM Webinar

1100 Bank Street, Richmond, VA 23219

1.0 ADMINISTRATION

- 10:00am
- 1.1 CALL TO ORDER
Burt Pinnock, Chair
 - 1.2 PUBLIC COMMENT
AARB Meetings are open for public comment. If you wish to attend the virtual meeting or provide public comment please email aarb@dgs.virginia.gov. Rules for public comment can be obtained from the Department of General Services.
 - 1.3 APPROVAL OF MINUTES
Motion to Approve: Helen Wilson
Second: Rebecca Deeds
Approved: 7Y
 - 1.4 OTHER BUSINESS
Consideration of language to provide guidance to the Board on reviewing heraldry and other public signage continued until next month.

2.0 CONSENT AGENDA

- 10:10am
- 2.1 JYF – Demolition of the Cape Merchant House in the Fort at Jamestown Settlement
The Cape Merchant building is about 17 years old. Though serviceable at this time, it requires substantial repairs. Poor drainage on the north end of building has caused structural timber damage and water seeps into the interior floor. The south side of the roof has deteriorated. Repairs to this building will exceed \$50,000. Due to the substantial repairs and cost associated, it has been decided to demolish this building and rebuild once our new capital improvement plan is developed. Please see the attachment for building location and photographs of the current condition.

DHR - review required

- 2.2 UVA – JAG 5th floor Sliding Door Replacement and Railing Modification

The project scope is to replace the existing sliding doors with new stacking sliding doors and weld a shelf to the existing guardrail.

DHR - review not required

2.3 DCR – Pit Toilet, Men’s and Women’s, Demolition Massie Gap, Grayson Highlands State Park

Demolition of men’s and women’s pit toilets.

DHR - has reviewed. No adverse effect

Motion to Approve: Tom Papa

Second: Donna Jackson

Approved: 7Y

3.0 PROJECT REVIEWS

3.1 W&M – Memorial to the Enslaved by the College of William and Mary, Project #204-8002, Williamsburg, VA William & Mary Campus

Number of stories: N/A, Height of Erected Structure: Approximately 20 feet, Erected Structure Area: 720 SF, Plaza Area: 3,570 SF, Berm Area: 4,000 SF, Grass Area: 3,460 SF

The Memorial to the Enslaved by the College of William and Mary is an outdoor monument situated in front of the historic Wren Building. The design of the monument originates with the winning competition entry selected by William and Mary from numerous submissions. The location of the building was established by William and Mary prior to the competition. The exterior of the monument is comprised of a ‘hearth’ element and a plaza area. An arched opening through the hearth element offers a visual connection between the east side and the west side of the monument, i.e. between the historic workers path discovered on the side of the Wren building

and the newly designed Legacy Garden. The eastern edge of the plaza is bordered by an earthen berm amphitheater. On the west side, the extension of the memorial plaza is crossed by the existing campus pathway leading from the William and Mary Sunken Garden to the Undergraduate Admissions Center. The plaza pavement continues on the west side of the path to a bench situated within a grassy area defined by plantings.

The grassy area is also bordered by a curved stone edge that continues the shape of the berm on the west side. The walls of the ‘hearth’ element display brick-like protrusions that contain the names of the enslaved. There will also be blank brick-like protrusions that represent the unnamed and unknown. The brick-like protrusions

compose a pattern inspired by African motifs. Visitors can enter the ‘hearth’ area to observe the hearth’s chimney and look towards the sky. The space between the ‘hearth’ and the berm allows visitors to view the names of the enslaved, meditate and hold gatherings or participate in events. The berm amphitheater allows people to sit around the plaza. On rare occasions, William and Mary may use the ‘hearth’ area to light a wood fire. In consultation with their historians, William and Mary wishes to remove a small portion of the 1930s wall that exists at the memorial’s location. This is a symbolic

gesture, as the wall was always perceived as a barrier to entering the campus by the African Americans in the surrounding community.

Comments:

If the area of the fire pit that is permanent construction changes, resubmit the changes

Consider a mow strip at the base of the risers of the berm

Submit final inscriptions

DHR - Archaeological monitoring during construction

Motion FINAL Approval: Helen Wilson

Second: Tom Papa

Approved: 6Y-0N-1A (Burt Pinnock)

3.2 ODU – Student Health and Wellness Center

The building is a 2-story addition to the existing student recreation center (SRC) (also 2 stories). The building will complement the existing architecture of the SRC while providing a calming and improved presence in the student quad. Brick with a precast or cast stone base, flat roof with a light well between the addition and the existing building.

Comments:

Coordinate O&M manual for landscaping with agency

Consideration of the planting bed beneath the canopy overhang

Submit final inscriptions

DHR – no comments

Motion FINAL Approval: Helen Wilson

Second: Calder Loth

Approved: 7Y-0N-0A

3.3 UVA – Athletics Complex

The Athletics Complex will redefine how we educate our student-athletes by improving our facilities and the support we provide as they study to achieve academic excellence, develop the necessary skills to become citizen leaders for tomorrow and train to compete for championships. The project includes a Football Operations Center and an Olympic Sports Center designed to provide support to all 750 student-athletes competing in 27 varsity sports.

Comments:

Maintain wide pedestrian ways

Provide clear project boundaries/extends

Provide more detail on outdoor gathering places
Consider treatment of space between Welsh and new building

DHR – no comments

Motion PRELIMINARY Approval: Tom Papa
Second: Ian Vaughan
Approved: 5Y-ON-2A (Rebecca Deeds, Helen Wilson)

3.4 UVA – Data Science Institute

The Data Science Institute is a four-story academic building totaling 60,000 GSF set within the Ivy Corridor redevelopment area. A front portico/brise-soleil, constructed of steel, indicates the primary entrance façade and provides shading to both a third-floor roof terrace and ground-level terraces. Exterior materials include brick, glass, and metal panels/louvers. The flat roof will host several large skylights, future solar panels, and a screened mechanical area. The south façade faces a busy arterial street; the east façade faces a newly-constructed water feature/pond at the most prominent corner of the site, and the north façade opens onto a central green through which a restored stream flows to the pond. The pond is both a stormwater management facility and a public landscape feature. The landscape and site framework are part of a separate, master-planned infrastructure project; in the future, an additional academic building will be constructed immediately to the west of the Data Science Institute.

Comments:

Consider height of parapet at upper level terrace and views out
Consider ground level treatment of Ivy Road elevation

DHR – no comments

Motion FINAL Approval: Ian Vaughan
Second: Calder Loth
Approved: 5Y-ON-2A (Rebecca Deeds, Helen Wilson)

3.5 UVA – Contemplative Commons

The overarching vision of the Contemplative Commons as a pan-university resource remains unchanged. the Contemplative Commons bridges research and learning through immersive, participatory experiences that promote personal and intellectual well-being. This pan-University environment will create unprecedented opportunities for intersections between curricular, co-curricular and extra-curricular activities; faculty and students; culture and nature; and schools and disciplines.

Comments:

Consider noise mitigation along Emmet Street

Attention to stonework so it is not too irregular; stone walls on McCormick Rd. are a good precedent

DHR – provide Archaeological survey of project area

Motion FINAL Approval: Tom Papa


Second: Ian Vaughan

Approved: 5Y-0N-2A (Rebecca Deeds, Helen Wilson)


4.0 ANNOUNCEMENTS

****Next AARB Meeting is March 5, 2021.**

5.0 MEETING ADJOURNED



Burt Pinnock, AARB Chair



Joe Damico, DGS Director

